Councilman so appointed shall be vested with all powers, and shall perform all the duties of Mayor during such absence or sickness, and shall receive the salary of the said Mayor during such vacancy; provided, that if such disability continue ten days or longer, during such absence in excess of ten days the Mayor shall receive no salary; provided, further, that the Councilman receiving compensation as Acting Mayor shall not receive his salary as Councilman for the same time he receives compensation as Acting Mayor.

At all meetings of the Mayor and Council, the Mayor and two Councilmen shall constitute a quorum, or in the absence of the Mayor, three Councilmen, present and voting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and three affirmative votes shall be necessary for the passage of an ordinance, law, resolution or measure of any description at all times. Upon every vote the yeas and nays shall be called and recorded.

98. The Mayor and Council shall be vested with the power and charged with the duty of making all laws or ordinances not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the State, touching every object, matter and subject within the local government instituted by this Act.

Every ordinance imposing any penalty, fine, imprisonment or forfeiture for a violation of its provisions shall, after the passage thereof, be published in one or more newspapers published in said town for three (3) successive issues. Ordinances passed by the Mayor and Council and requiring publication shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of their passage, unless it shall therein otherwise expressly be provided.

The style of all ordinances shall be, "Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of Chestertown," but such caption may be omitted when said ordinances are published in book form

under the order of the Mayor and Council.

The absence of any Councilman from three regular consecutive meetings of the Mayor and Council, without excuse, shall constitute a vacancy and all vacancies occurring for this reason shall be filled as herein provided.

99. The Mayor and Council shall meet on the first Monday night in August, 1931, and the first Monday night in April, 1933, and on the first Monday night in April every second year thereafter to qualify and organize. The Mayor and